

## **AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS**

The following claim set replaces all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (currently amended) Polyamide composition ~~prepared from a composition~~ comprising a blend which is comprised of (a) a polyamide base resin, [[and]] (b) 0.1 to 1 weight% of a black polyaniline derivative, wherein the composition further comprises (c) 0.1 to 5 weight% of at least [[a]] one branching agent having functional groups that can react with functional groups [[on]] of the polyamide base resin, and (d) 0.1 to 1 weight% of carbon black, wherein the weight% is relative to the amount of the polyamide base resin.
2. (currently amended) Polyamide composition according to claim 1, wherein the ~~composition is based on a~~ branching agent comprises comprising functional groups chosen from the group consisting of carboxylic acid, [[and]] carboxylic acid anhydrides, [[or]] derivatives [[thereof]] of carboxylic acid and carboxylic acid anhydrides, and epoxies.
3. (currently amended) Polyamide composition according to claim 1, wherein the branching agent is a copolymer of at least a vinyl aromatic monomer and an unsaturated dicarboxylic acid or a derivative thereof ~~and vinyl aromatic monomer.~~
4. (canceled)
5. (original) Polyamide composition according to claim 1, wherein the black polyaniline derivative is nigrosine.
6. (currently amended) Polyamide composition according to claim 1, wherein the ~~composition is based on a~~ polyamide base resin has ~~having~~ a relative viscosity of at least 2.3 and/or an amine end group concentration of more than 20 meq/g.

7. (currently amended) Polyamide composition according to claim 1, wherein the composition comprises at least one additive chosen from the group consisting of reinforcement agents, fillers, flame retardants, stabilizers, and processing aids.
8. (currently amended) Process for preparing a polyamide composition comprising melt-mixing ~~[[of]]~~ components comprising a polyamide base resin, ~~[[and]]~~ a polyaniline, ~~wherein the components further comprises~~ at least ~~[[a]]~~ one branching agent having functional groups that can react with functional groups of the polyamide base resin, and carbon black.
9. (canceled)
10. (currently amended) Molded part comprised of ~~prepared from~~ a composition according to claim 1.
11. (currently amended) Process for preparing an assembled product comprising bonding together ~~[[in which]]~~ at least two parts ~~are bonded together~~ by means of a welding technique, wherein ~~characterized in that~~ at least one of the parts substantially consists, at least at the location of a surface to be welded, of a polyamide composition according to claim 1.
12. (original) Assembled product comprising a molded part according to claim 10.
13. (currently amended) Assembled product comprising at least two parts being bonded together by means of a welding technique, at least one of ~~[[these]]~~ the parts ~~[[being]]~~ is a part according to claim 10.
14. (currently amended) Molded part prepared from a composition obtained ~~obtainable~~ by the process of claim 8.
15. (currently amended) Process for preparing an assembled product comprising bonding together ~~[[in which]]~~ at least two parts ~~are bonded together~~ by means of a welding technique, wherein ~~characterized in that~~ at least one of the parts

substantially consists, at least at the location of a surface to be welded, of a polyamide composition obtained ~~obtainable~~ by the process of claim 8.

16. (currently amended) Polyamide composition according to claim 2, wherein the polyaniline derivative comprises nigrosine ~~negrosine~~ and wherein the polyamide has a relative viscosity of at least 2.3 and/or an amine end group concentration of more than 20 meq/g.
17. (previously presented) Polyamide composition according to claim 16, which comprises 0.1 to 5 weight% of said branching agent, 0.1 to 1 weight% of carbon black, and 0.1 to 1 weight% of polyaniline derivative, wherein the weight% is relative to the amount of polyamide.